

Free Transport to Creativity Conference

Creative Partnerships is holding a national conference – *exciting minds* in Manchester on November 27-28. The conference aims to explore the importance of creativity in education and will showcase the work of a range of agencies and initiatives working with schools and share the learning of Creative Partnerships. Creative Partnerships is a national creativity programme for schools and young people which aims to unlock the creativity of learners and educators and develop creative approaches to teaching all aspects of the curriculum by supporting long term partnerships between creative practitioners and schools.

On November 27th a free creativity expo will be offered, aimed at teachers interested in creativity. It will be hosted by Creative Partnerships but will be packed full of different agencies, practitioners, organisations and initiatives. Exhibitors will offer ideas, resources, lectures, exhibitions, performances, installations and conversation spaces for teachers interested in creativity in learning.

The exciting minds arena will feature fifty companies, organisations and initiatives that will offer teachers advice, ideas, resources and spaces for conversations. The exciting minds arena will also include a cinema and a programmed lecture/conversation series.

Among the possibilities on offer are the chance to:

- Talk to researchers and collect research reports that reveal the impact that creative collaborations can have on learners.
- Pick up quick and easy tips to help you teach more creatively and teach for creativity.
- Sign-up for a business surgery to help you engage with the business sector.
- Chat with an organisation that could help you set up your own school radio - and hear about the learning outcomes of such a venture.
- Receive training on free and subscription-only web-based resources.

Creative Partnerships may be able to offer a free coach service from Norfolk to Manchester if there is sufficient interest in the region. If you are interested in taking advantage of this offer, or wish to have more information please **contact Adrian Gray, Programme Manager (Creative Partnerships) on 01603 433276 ext. 212** or email adrian.gray@norfolk.gov.uk.

Information about the conference can be found at:

<http://www.tcp-events.co.uk/creativepartnershipsconference/aboutem.html>